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Sir:

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The patent/publications submitted for consideration are listed below:

- (1) Li et al., US 2002/0114784 A1
- (2) Szyf et al., US 5,578,716
- (3) Szyf et al., US 5,578,716 (redacted version)
- (4) Zamecnik et al., WO 97/11170

- (5) Zamecnik et al., WO 97/11170 (redacted version)
- (6) Agrawal et al., WO 94/01550 (redacted version)

Copies of the above listed patent and publications are attached hereto. The attachments are all in the English language. Redacted versions of several references are included, as permitted according to MPEP 1134.01(II). A redacted version of Agrawal et al., WO 94/01550, already of record, is also being submitted.

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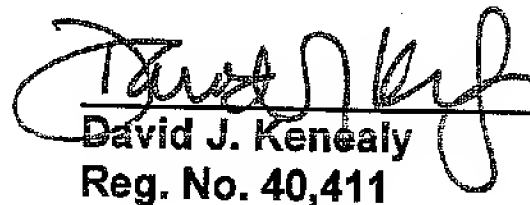
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